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SUBJ: SWIFTSHIPS: GABONESE PATROL BOAT NGUENE

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1. EMBASSY RECEIVED NOTE APRIL 22 FROM MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS REQUESTING AUTHORIZATION FOR SUBJECT VESSEL TO MAKE PORT CALL IN MORGAN CITY, LOUISIANA AT 0800 LOCAL TIME APRIL 25 AND FOR COURTESY VISIT OF THE VESSEL'S COMMANDER TO PORT AUTHORITIES. CHARACTERISTICS OF VESSEL AS FOLLOWS: LENGTH 32.26 METERS; WIDTH 7.24 METERS; DRAFT 2.31 METERS; WEIGHT 117 TONS. COMMANDANT OF VESSEL IS COMMANDER OF GABONESE NAVY ELIE-LEFEBVRE AND CREW CONSISTS OF NINE NAVAL OFFICERS AND ELEVEN QUARTER MASTERS AND SEAMEN.

2. COMMENT: EMBASSY'S UNDERSTANDING IS THAT SUBJECT VESSEL CURRENTLY LOCATED IN MORGAN CITY WHERE CREW BEING TRAINED AND WEAPONS BEING INSTALLED. EMBASSY SUSPECTS THAT GABONESE ARE CONFUSED AND THAT THEY REQUESTING PORT CLEARANCE AS MENTIONED IN PARAGRAPH C OF REFTEL NOT PORT CALL. UNDOUBTEDLY GABONESE EMBASSY WASHINGTON UNABLE TO OBTAIN THESE CLEARANCES. APPRECIATE DEPT TRANSMITTING ABOVE TO DOD AND INFORMING LIBREVILLE WHEN AUTHORIZATION FOR PORT CALL OR CLEARANCE OBTAINED AND WE WILL ADVISE MFA.

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